

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 1037

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A RESOLUTION to honor and commend Bradford Elementary School upon receiving national recognition as a 2010 Title I Distinguished School.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should pause to recognize those outstanding educational institutions that provide the highest quality education for Tennessee's students; and

WHEREAS, one such estimable school is Bradford Elementary School, which has recently been recognized as one of the finest schools in Tennessee and in the Nation; and

WHEREAS, this kindergarden through sixth grade elementary school in Gibson County recently received notification of its selection as one of four Tennessee schools to receive recognition as a 2010 Title I Distinguished School; and

WHEREAS, the National Title I Distinguished Schools Program is a project of the National Association of State Title I Directors and provides an opportunity for Title I schools from all fifty states to be publicly recognized for their positive educational achievements; and

WHEREAS, the purpose of the Title I Distinguished Schools Recognition Program is to honor schools that serve a large percentage of students from economically disadvantaged backgrounds, but still ensure that all children have access to effective instructional strategies and challenging academic content and demonstrate success toward learning that content; and

WHEREAS, selected from each state by members of the National Association of State Title I Directors, schools that receive this exemplary accolade represent examples of superior Title I programs in either demonstrating exceptional student performance or closing the achievement gap between student groups; and

WHEREAS, with Principal Larry McCartney at the helm, Bradford Elementary School earned this most befitting honor for generating extraordinary student performance, refusing to allow children's socio-economic status to hinder their ability to achieve; and

WHEREAS, the students at Bradford Elementary benefit from the time and energies put forth by the teachers who guide them through the hallowed halls of education, bestowing upon them the skills and lessons necessary for the students to succeed in life; and

WHEREAS, Bradford Elementary School epitomizes the ideal educational facility, and its administrators, teachers, and staff are wholly committed to the highest ideals of public service and quality education for all, and they should be specially recognized; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED SIXTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, that we hereby honor and congratulate Bradford Elementary School upon receiving national recognition as a 2010 Title I Distinguished School, commend the administrators, teachers, and staff for their exceptional service to the children of Tennessee, salute their professional expertise and personal excellence, and wish them all the best in their future endeavors.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.